CHAPTER 1217

RADIATION EQUIPMENT TRAINING STANDARDS S.F. 447

AN ACT relating to the minimum training standards imposed upon operators of radiation emitting equipment.

Be It Enacted by the General Assembly of the State of Iowa:

Section 1. Section 136C.3, subsection 2, Code 1985, is amended to read as follows:

2. Establish minimum training standards including continuing education requirements, and administer examinations and disciplinary procedures for operators of radiation machines and users of radioactive materials. A state of Iowa license to practice medicine, osteopathy, chiropractic, podiatry, dentistry, dental hygiene, or veterinary medicine, or certification as a physician's assistant as defined in section 148C.1, subsection 6, or certification by the board of dental examiners in dental radiography, or enrollment in a program or course of study approved by the state department of health which includes the application of radiation to humans satisfies the minimum training standards for operation of radiation machines only.

The department shall establish a technical advisory committee made up of two radiologic technologists, two physicians, including one radiologist and one private practitioner, and a representative of the department. The advisory committee shall assist the department in developing and establishing criteria for continuing education and examinations.

Sec. 2. Section 136C.10, Code 1985, is amended to read as follows: 136C.10 FEES.

The department shall establish and collect fees for the licensing and amendment of licenses for radioactive materials, the registration of radiation machines, and the periodic inspection of radiation machines and radioactive materials, and the implementation of section 136C.3, subsection 2. Fees shall be in amounts sufficient to defray the cost of administering this chapter. The license fee may include the cost of environmental surveillance activities to assess the radiological impact of activities conducted by licensees. Fees collected shall be remitted to the treasurer of state who shall deposit the funds in the general fund of the state. When a registrant or licensee fails to pay the applicable fee the department may suspend or revoke the registration or license or may issue an appropriate order. Fees for the license, amendment of a license, and inspection of radioactive material shall not exceed the fees prescribed by the United States nuclear regulatory commission.

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CHAPTER 1218

AUTOMOBILE LIABILITY INSURANCE PREMIUMS S.F. 2210

AN ACT requiring insurance companies to lower automobile liability insurance premiums to reflect the reduction in annual losses occasioned by the enactment of the mandatory seat belt bill.

Be It Enacted by the General Assembly of the State of Iowa:

Section 1. NEW SECTION. 516B.1 DEFINITIONS.

As used in this chapter, unless otherwise required by the context:

1. "Automobile liability policy" means an insurance policy issued by an insurance carrier authorized to do business in this state to or for the benefit of the person named in the policy as

insured against loss from liability imposed by law for damages arising out of ownership, maintenance, or use of an insured automobile.

2. "Commissioner" means the commissioner of insurance.

Sec. 2. <u>NEW SECTION</u>. 516B.2 REDUCTION IN PREMIUMS TO REFLECT REDUCTIONS IN LOSSES.

The commissioner shall require that insurance companies transacting business in this state reduce the automobile liability insurance premiums charged insureds in this state for liability insurance renewed or issued on or after July 1, 1987. The reduction in insurance premiums, on a statewide basis, shall be at whatever amount the commissioner of insurance deems appropriate as reflecting the reduction in annual losses incurred by the insurance companies with the enactment of Senate File 499 by the Seventy-first General Assembly. The commissioner of insurance may annually make adjustments to the reduction in insurance premiums as the commissioner deems appropriate considering the latest statistics available to the commissioner.

In making the determination on the amount of reduction of automobile liability insurance premiums which takes effect July 1, 1987, the commissioner may employ or contract with actuarial consultants as necessary in making the determination. The reasonable fees and expenses of an actuarial consultant employed or contracted by the commissioner for the purpose of determining the amount of the July 1, 1987 reduction shall be assessed against and paid by the affected insurance companies.

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CHAPTER 1219

DRUG PRESCRIPTIONS S.F. 2248

AN ACT relating to the acquisition costs between a drug prescribed by a physician, dentist, podiatrist, or veterinarian and the drug substituted by a pharmacist.

Be It Enacted by the General Assembly of the State of Iowa:

Section 1. Section 155.37, subsection 1, paragraph a, Code 1985, is amended to read as follows:

- a. If a physician, dentist, podiatrist or veterinarian prescribes, either in writing or orally, a drug by its brand or trade name and does not specifically state that only that designated brand or trade name drug product is to be dispensed, and if the pharmacy to which the prescription is presented or communicated has in stock one or more other drug products with the same generic name and demonstrated bioavailability as the one prescribed, the pharmacist may exercise professional judgment in the economic interest of the patient or the patient's adult representative who is purchasing the prescription by selecting a drug product generically equivalent to but of lesser cost than the one prescribed for dispensing and sale to the patient. If the pharmacist does so, the pharmacist shall inform the patient or the patient's adult representative of the savings which the patient will obtain as a result of substitution and pass on to the patient or the patient's representative the full no less than fifty percent of the difference in actual acquisition costs between the drug prescribed and the drug substituted.
- Sec. 2. The drug utilization review program under the department of human services shall monitor the effects of this Act regarding any cost savings to patients or increased usage of generic drugs and the general assembly shall monitor the effects of such cost savings or increased usage. The drug utilization review program shall begin the monitoring procedure